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NSC BRIEFING

DE GAULLE'S TWO WEEKS

- I. De Gaulle is working to consolidate his position, and is taking quick steps to solve the pressing North African problems.
- A. He appears to have narrowed the rift between Algeria and Metropolitan France.
1. De Gaulle aiming to put army in complete control because he believes it more moderate than civilians.
- B. The Algerian rebels have reacted unfavorably to De Gaulle's apparent espousal of an "integration" policy.
1. However, rebels show great concern over effects on Algerian Moslems of De Gaulle's promise of political equality, and are attempting "education" people.
2. A new upsurge of terrorism "sometime after 25 June."
- C. De Gaulle has moved quickly to mollify Tunisia and Morocco, but these problems far from final settlement.
1. Agreement of 17 June providing for staged French evacuation of some 9,000 troops from outlying bases in Tunisia should reduce French-Tunisian tension.
2. Announcement 14 June that France agrees to evacuate 10 small military posts in eastern and southern Morocco.
- II. At home, De Gaulle is moving to obtain wide support for his program.
- A. However, rightists are still pressing De Gaulle to "complete the revolution" begun in Algeria.
1. Delbecqne calls 13 May action only the first phase adding that "we did not cross the Rubicon to go fishing."
2. He claims 320 committees of public safety in France.

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- B. Premier Karamanlis has threatened resignation as his pro-Western policies "have failed." King attempting have Karamanlis remain, as alternative would be political chaos and probable dictatorship.
 - C. Intense public reaction against Ankara for allegedly encouraging Turk Cypriots and against British for allegedly abetting Turkish Cypriot vandalism. US denounced as pro-Turkish
 - D. Greek opposition to British plan based on its recognition that Turkey has "legal" rights in Cyprus dispute and on belief that the plan is unworkable in practice.
 - E. Greeks have withdrawn personnel from Izmir NATO base as indication of bitterness at Ankara.
 - F. Athens has warned that attacks on Greek minority in Turkey will result in diplomatic break with Ankara, action against Turkey minority in Greece, and possible withdrawal from NATO.
- IV. Turkish public inflamed by govt-sponsored mass demonstrations, speeches and radio. In addition to underscoring Turkey's demands regarding Cyprus, Menderes govt is attempting to divert public attention from deteriorating economic conditions at home.
- A. "Volunteers" to fight in Cyprus reportedly enlisted in Turkey
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- B. Turkish rejection British plan states partition is only solution.
 - C. Recent demonstrations have also had anti-British overtones. Press is beginning to denounce US as pro-Greek.

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- G. Archbishop Makarios may not reject plan out of hand but will demand modifications.